

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE

SATURDAY EVENING DEC. 28, 1901.

The Life of a Coal Miner.

First, the boy of eight or ten is sent to the breaker to pick the slate and other impurities from the coal which has been brought up from the mine. From there he is promoted and becomes a door boy, working in the mine. As he grows older and stronger he is advanced to the position and given the pay of a laborer. There he gains the experience which secures him a place as a miner's helper, and as he acquires skill and strength he becomes, when in the height of his manhood and vigor, a full fledged miner.

If he is fortunate enough to escape the falls of rock and coal, he may remain in this position as a miner for a number of years. But as age creeps on and he is attacked by some of the many diseases incident to work in the mines he makes way for those younger and more vigorous following him up the ladder whose summit he has reached. He then starts on the descent, going back to become a miner's helper, then a mine laborer, now a door boy, and returns to the breaker where he started as a child, earning the same wages as are received by the littleurchin who works at his side. There is no incentive for ambition in the average miner's life. He cannot rise to places of eminence and wealth. Only in 500 can even be given place as a foreman or superintendent, and these are positions which few miners care to hold.—John Mitchell in Cosmopolitan.

For His Reputation, \$500.

The proprietor of a large dry goods store had decided to tear down the old building and erect a new one in its stead. In furtherance of this plan he was removing his goods to temporary quarters in another building.

The goods were nearly all out of the old structure when from some unknown cause it caught fire. The department was promptly on hand and soon had a stream playing on the flames, but the merchant was wild with excitement. Running up to the chief, he urged him to greater haste.

"Never mind the goods," he shouted. "Save the building!" "I'll give the boys a check for \$500 for their pension fund if they don't let the fire spread beyond that floor!"

"Why, you're going to tear the old building down anyway, aren't you?" asked the chief.

"Yes," he said, "but do you suppose I want the insurance companies or anybody on earth to think that's the reason why it caught fire?"

By great exertion the fire was extinguished with little loss so far as the building was concerned, and the merchant was as good as his word.—Youth's Companion.

Queer Creatures.

There are microscopic creatures which live in roof gutters and on the bark of trees and are known as water bears and wheel animals. If allowed to dry up under the microscope, they can be seen to shrivel into shapeless masses, which may be kept for years unharmed in the dried state.

On being placed after this long interval in water they gradually plump up, resume their proper shape and move about in search of food just as if nothing had happened. Much the same is true for the minute worms which from the substance in which they live are known as paste and vinegar cels. Well known is the famous case of the desert snail, which, retracted into its shell, was fastened to a tablet in the British museum and showed no sign of life for seven years, when one morning it was found crawling hungrily about the glass case that formed its prison.

Up His Sleeve.

At the battle of Omdurman a soldier belonging to a Scotch regiment was nearly killed by a bullet which struck the ground just in front of him while he was firing in a reclining position. On rising to move a few feet forward, something came down his sleeve. It was the bullet. How it got up his sleeve without inflicting damage, it must have been spent by the time it struck the ground in front of him and the course of its flight up his sleeve was its last billet.

The Color of Wood.

A simple way to restore color to wood is to mix the color with oil and turpentine, applying with a soft cloth and rubbing in well. Either the powdered pigment or colors ground in oil may be used. For light oak use raw umber, for dark oak burnt umber. If it is very dark, add a mere shade of lamp-black. For mahogany use burnt sienna, chrome yellow and bismark brown, and for cherry use burnt sienna.

He Was Too Slow.

Magistrate—Your husband charges you with assault.

Madam—Yes, your honor. I asked him if he would always love me, and he was so slow in answering that I hit him with a mop. I'm only a woman, judge, and a woman's life without love is a mere blight.—Illustrated Bits.

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Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria,

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Kale Coleman,

vs.

Thomas Coleman.

The object of this suit is to obtain

a decree of divorce a vinculo matrimonii of the

complainant against the defendant.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this

cause that the defendant, Thomas Coleman, is a

non-resident of this State, it is ordered,

That said defendant appear here with-

in fifteen days after date of publication of

this order and do what is necessary to protect

his interest in this suit, and that a copy of

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andria Gazette, a newspaper published in the

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JOHN S. BEACH, Clerk.

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